GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3416
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2000
IMPORTED SUGAR PUT UNDER LEVY NORMS
VENKATA KRISHNAM RAJU UPPALAPATI

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned `Imported sugar put under levy norms` appearing in the Pioneer dated February 18, 2000; (

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the impact in terms of enhancement of the availability of levy sugar on farmers, sugar mills and public distribution; and

(d) the steps taken in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The Government has issued orders dated 17.02.2000 enabling the Government to impose 30% levy obligation on importers of sugar.

(c) & (d) : Orders to requisition levy from importers of sugar have not been issued, as yet.